

ABSTRACT

5        [00033]A combination cantilever push tab and finger rest is associated  
with the needle shield and extends distally from the distal end of the needle  
shield. The cantilever push tab and finger rest includes a cantilever portion  
that extends distally from the needle shield, preferably from an exterior  
surface of the needle shield, and an upstanding tab portion at the distal end  
of the cantilever portion. This configuration causes the upstanding tab to  
10        extend over the proximal portion of the catheter adapter and allows a  
clinician to insert a catheter using virtually any clinically acceptable  
technique for inserting a catheter into a patient.